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## NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Trachoma.	Favus.	Suspected trachoma.	Suspected favus.	Other causes.	Total.
Dec. 24	Prinz Oskar .....	3	1	1	.....	1	6
27	Canopic .....	9	.....	12	1	1	23
29	Italia .....	5	.....	6	.....	7	18
	Total .....	17	1	19	1	9	47

## PALERMO.

Dec. 30	Italia .....	12	.....	4	.....	3	19
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*Smallpox.*—Week ended December 28, 1905: Seven cases at Caltanissetta, 6 cases at Terranova (Caltanissetta), 1 case at S. Agata Bolognese (Bologna), 7 cases at Genoa, 1 case in the province of Brescia, 3 cases in the province of Treviso, 1 case in the province of Novara, and 1 case in the province of Milan.

## JAPAN.

*Report from Yokohama—Inspection of vessels—Plague at Kobe and Osaka—Chinese ports quarantine against Kobe.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, December 8, as follows:

During the week ended December 2, 1905, 4 bills of health were issued to vessels having an aggregate personnel of 422 passengers and 595 crew; 364 steerage passengers were bathed and their clothing was disinfected; 618 aliens, would-be steerage passengers to the United States and its possessions, were examined with special reference to their freedom from any loathsome or dangerous contagious disease contemplated by the United States immigration laws.

*Plague.*—The strenuous measures enforced at Kobe and Osaka with a view to controlling plague have not as yet proved successful. The present outbreak is the most extensive and alarming manifestation of this infection that has yet visited Japan, excluding Formosa. In view of the fact that Kobe ranks with Yokohama as the leading port of the Empire and that Osaka is its chief industrial center and second city in point of population, the situation assumes a really grave aspect. Chefoo, Chemulpo, and Shanghai have all declared quarantine against Kobe.

*Reports from Kobe—History of plague outbreak—Emigrants recommended for rejection.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Fowler reports, December 12 and 18, as follows:

Plague first appeared August 28, 1905, there being 2 cases and no deaths during that month. Between September 1 and 21, inclusive, there were 8 cases and 7 deaths, then for 24 days succeeding, no more cases. Between October 16 and 18, inclusive, 3 cases and 3 deaths. All of these cases occurred in a remote suburb of Hiogo on the premises of a cotton mill and in its immediate vicinity. The cotton mill